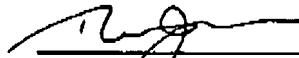


REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge the Office's consideration of the 37 CFR § 1.312 courtesy amendment filed July 6, 2007. Applicants further acknowledge the Office's conclusion that the courtesy amendment was unnecessary due to the claims already being in full compliance with all requirements of the statutes, rules, and Office procedures.

Respectfully submitted,



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